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## AMENDMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 1.116

Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated August 4, 1998 (Paper No. 13) (herein referred to as "Office Action"). Applicant respectfully requests entry of this Amendment and reconsideration of the application in view thereof.

This Amendment is believed timely filed on or before November 4, 1998. Should this Amendment not be considered timely filed, Applicant hereby requests a retroactive extension of time to file for the number of additional months required to maintain pendancy of the Application.